

U3A Looe & District AGM 2021

Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting Wednesday 10th February 2021 Held on Zoom due to Covid 19 Restrictions

The meeting opened at 10.32 am.

Apologies: Apologies were received from Hazel and Graham Barber

Committee Members attended, are listed below and there were 59 Zoom screens (some of which were couples) in total at the meeting.

1. 2020 AGM Minutes

The minutes of the 2020 AGM were presented for accuracy and approval. There were no outstanding actions or matters arising.

Acceptance of the 2020 AGM minutes was proposed by: Dot Dunning and seconded by Ann Watson and duly signed by the Chairman and held on file. Voted unanimously for.

2. Chairman's Report

This year we will be celebrating 30 years since the formation of Looe and District U3A. Our group has seen many changes over the years, but none of those can match the times we find ourselves in now.

We have a loyal membership and run a variety of interest groups, about 15 currently. The groups who could meet outdoors (walkers and recorders) continued over the summer and autumn, while other groups have switched to online meetings.

When I addressed you last February, with a full 12 month programme and a Committee to run it, little did I think we would find ourselves in the throes of a pandemic.

After the March 2020 meeting in St Martins Hall, we found ourselves shutting down like the rest of the country's charities and expected to reopen in a few months! This was not to be.

Here we are 11 months later. We did not implode and simply shut down like many groups.

Thanks to a very pro-active committee, we immediately switched to virtual committee meetings on Zoom, and worked out what we COULD do, rather than what was prohibited. Keeping members safe and guarding against spreading the coronavirus was our priority of course, but we also knew that the social threads which run through our u3a needed to be maintained.

In August we launched our first main meeting for all members on Zoom. The theme was Food – a topic popular with most people – and our speaker regaled us with fascinating and entertaining facts about Italian fare. Not to be outdone, our own Gorgeous Grub Group and Fabulous Foodies displayed photos of their own home-cooked food too.

Encouraged by the success of the first meeting, we embraced the new technology and have continued every month with a fascinating range of speakers – from art to comedy – to the sea – to musical entertainment.

A members' gallery is also very popular, showing how we survive the various spells of lockdown!

As we approached our AGM, the Committee decided to hold a remote vote, on email or by post, rather than postpone the AGM as many u3as have done.

I thank the 109 members who supported us and voted for the new committee. We are now able to move forward into 2021 – whatever it brings!

On behalf of Looe and District u3a I would like to thank Laurie and Ann Watson for serving on the committee and for their huge contribution to its aims and activities.

Thank you.

3. Treasurers Report: Outgoing Treasurer Ann Watson

LOOE & DISTRICT U3A

GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31/12/20

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Deposit Account	£5,110.65	£2,108.77
Current Account	£383.21	£2,524.23
Amount to be repaid to Social from A/c	£0.00	-£20.00
Cash Account	£117.28	£150.60
TOTAL	£5,611.14	£4,763.60
INCOME		
Subscriptions	£2,700.00	£2,605.00
Raffles	£241.60	£508.50
Miscellaneous	£0.00	£31.72
Ambrosini Account	£0.00	£1,121.30
Deposit Account Interest	£1.88	£4.20
TOTAL	£2,943.48	£4,270.72
EXPENDITURE		
Coffee Breaks	£246.61	£489.98
Hall Hire	£0.00	£0.00
Newsletter Printing	£36.00	£95.48
Book keeping/Stationery	£491.28	£394.21
Speakers	£390.00	£320.00
U3A Trust Capitation	£630.00	£630.00
Miscellaneous	£78.00	£105.78
Ambrosini Account / IT	£224.05	£614.14
TOTAL	£2,095.94	£2,649.59

Hon Treasurer - Ann Watson 

Hon Auditor - Nikki Jones 

Date 25th January 2021

Looe & District U3A Social Accounts Jan – December 2020

Event	Surplus	Deficit/Cost
Annual Dinner		£180.00
Boconnoc - all money refunded except £30 to be carried forward		
Quiz - all monies refunded		
Mamma Mia - all money refunded		
Administration		
Totals	£0.00	£180.00

Total Deficit	-£180.00
Bank balance 1 Jan 2019	£898.32
Received for Boconnoc event and carried forward for members	£30.00
Expense paid from current account not Social acc	-£20.00
Deficit 2019	-£180.00
Bank Account Balance as at 31/12/20	£768.32

+ Petty Cash £25. 00

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The members voted unanimously to accept the accounts.

5. Appointment of Auditor for Accounts

Mrs Nicola Roberts was appointed auditor for the 2021 accounts.

6. Annual Subscriptions

The subscriptions will be suspended for the 2021/2022 year.

7. Membership Secretary Report

There are currently 174 members and 50 on the waiting list. The top six on the waiting list will be invited to become members, making the total membership 180. The membership secretary urged all members to see if any current members have moved or are no longer wishing to remain members.

8. Election of New Committee for 2021:

Most of the original committee were willing to stand with new Committee members. There have been 109 votes for the committee and no objections or abstentions. It was voted unanimously that the committee should be elected en-bloc.

The following committee members were elected:

Chair	Christine Barwell
Vice Chair	Nick Bailey
Treasurer	Rob Nevshehir
Business Secretary	Angela Cadman
Minutes Secretary	Rosemary Robinson
Membership Secretary	Frances Bailey
Website & IT	Alison Currah
Newsletter & Archives	Yvonne Toms
Social Secretary	Carol Metcalfe
Committee Members	Carole Day Val Buck Christine Dennis

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.00 am

Laurie Watson – Outgoing Minutes Secretary 10th February 2021